

Notes on Theory

With the passage of time the human evolved into tribes and from tribes into nations and states, we do not have any empirical evidence only hypothesis. The flood of Noah wiped out all traces of past and as such we anchored our quest and research on the philosophy of Greeks. They wrote histories of wars and from these the hypothesis and theories were formulated as why states resort to violence. The theory of idealism and realism took birth, the concept of democracy and warfare flourished. Greeks were not perfect, they regarded women as a lower form of civilisation, but they certainly glorified the warfare.

Divine religions brought the ideological concept of violence among the mankind, the laws of god were the final and nothing can alter them. Hypothesis and theories thus revolved around the divinity, the ontological argument were put forward in the defence of divinity.

The renaissance period brought the change, Newton, Galileo were the architect who formulated the laws of nature. This in turn, stimulated the historians to make the study of human on scientific lines. Karl Marx gave the theory of economics as the main cause of violence among the societies, equally refuted by Adam Smith. The theory of evolution of human on the same pattern as that of animals was floated by the Darwin.

Discovery of America is a revolution in sociology, a new continent was a research model. The evolution of civilisation hence based upon hypothesis was now given an opportunity to validate the existing theories. Human from Europe came in; there were native Indian tribes, the interaction between them, the inclusion of black slaves from Africa as variable, all together added new theories to sociology. The man has not changed much in the millenniums; blacks were not treated at par with whites, thus racial superiority theory. Violence was still on the basis of religion even in the new continent the Salem witch hunt is one example. The racial superiority theory was also propagated by Adolf Hitler in 20th century.

Bulk of present day theories of international affairs takes roots in the aftermath of 1914-1918 War, the inherent weakness and flaw in the theories of idealism was soon exposed by the 1939-1945 War. Man touched new heights of barbarism, as an individual he became a non entity in the modern concept of state. Japanese surrendered after the dropping of two atomic bombs, because they had the logic of expecting the third bomb as well.

Progress of human civilisation is not uniform, all through the history, there are groups and areas which remained unaffected with the development both in science and sociology. These isolated civilisation, in Africa and in Asia although accepted the modernisation but reluctant to accept the westernisation. Civilisation in terms of urban, rural, industrial, agriculture, and above

all western and non-western emerged. The violence was now aligned on fault lines of this civilisation.

Freedom of expression, human rights, free trade, democracy, judiciary, women rights, are some of the hypothesis and theories which govern modern state and civilisation, and these are being enforced by the western thoughts. The collective result is that laws of god have been put aside, adultery in the form of pornography is accepted as a form of art, prostitution is an act of individual and states are taking steps to protect and promote it. Judiciary in America legalised the slavery and also patronised pornography. Blacks as human were not allowed to share the same toilet with whites in America as late as 1970, man (king) was not allowed to marry a divorced woman in England in 1936.

Theories are in most cases mathematical representation, where figures proves the hypothesis. Take example of Douhet Theory of Air War, he with help of figures convinced the world that through systematic aerial bombing it is possible to annihilate the towns and cities. The allied bombing campaign in WWII was on the same lines but it failed to exterminate the will of Germans. Thus human will , character, is as such that nothing can be predicted with certainty. There are no theories, only hypothesis in our present social system.

Abstract.

Theory , hypothesis are Greek legacy and were meant for philosophical interpretation. Both terms are used in science, thus the overlapping of understanding. In science the hypothesis generates theories which in turn form the foundation of laws. Social science in an attempt to be scientific is also adhering to the same pattern, but humans are unpredictable, their actions and reactions are dependent upon variables like geography, history and biology. History is thus the basis of social science and repetitions of history forms the logical basis of human behaviour and its interpretation. Western civilisation is now synonym with Christianity and America, it tends to force its values upon the other non-modern, non-western and non-Christian societies, therefore clashes and violence occurs. Methodology of research in tribal areas of Pakistan differs in each political agency, Militia provides the research model by virtue of its manpower and scientific data base. As geography has remained almost identical in last hundred years thus it is possible to reconstruct the history. Hospitals, schools, are source of data. Relativism and anti-naturalistic approach has been adopted.